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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed December 14, 2004, setting a period for response expiring on March 14, 2005. A petition for 3 months extension of time is included herewith. A Notice of Appeal is also filed together with the present reply. Accordingly, this response is timely filed.

The following remarks are respectfully submitted. Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.